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Kootenay Shares Outstanding – 21,052,725

Astral Announces First Results from Phase II Drilling on the Jumping Josephine Gold Project

Vancouver, BC - Astral Mining Corporation (TSX-V AST) ("Astral") and Kootenay Gold Inc. (TSX-V KTN) are pleased to report assay results from the first six of thirty-eight drill holes of the Phase II drill program on the JJ Main Gold Zone on the Jumping Josephine (JJ) Gold Project in southeast British Columbia.

Assay results from HQ diamond drill holes 07JD032 through to 07JD039 include **4m averaging 15.18 g/t gold (13.1 feet at 0.443 opt*) from hole 07JD032, which includes 1m at 56.4 g/t gold (3.28 feet at 1.645 opt*)**. Holes 07JD032-036 were drilled 40m south of the southernmost holes of the Phase I drilling, Holes 07JD037-039 were infill holes. Full results are presented below in Table 1.

The 38 holes have extended the quartz stockwork zone over a known lateral extent of 700 meters. Only the first six of the thirty-eight holes are reported in this release. These six holes along with previously reported Phase I assay results, confirm mineralization along 220 meters of the 700 meters tested to date. Assay results are pending for 32 holes drilled along the remaining 480 meters of the 700 meter strike. The stockwork zone is open along both strike directions and to depth.

The second of two deeper holes is underway and is planned to intersect the zone at a vertical depth in excess of 200m. This will be the final hole of this year's program and is expected to be finished later in the week.

Current information indicates the JJ Main Gold Zone has an estimated true width of up to 12.6m (41.32 feet) as evidenced by previously reported hole 07JD013 which assayed 19m averaging 7.01 g/t gold from 46m (see July 12, 2007 News Release). The zone remains open along strike in both directions and at depth. Infill aeromagnetics, geological mapping and surface geochemistry suggest that the host structure for the mineralized stockwork at JJ Main may extend for over three kilometres.

A map showing Phase II drillhole locations and a longitudinal section is provided on Astral's website at the following links: http://www.astralmining.com/i/pdf/2007-11-13_JJDP.pdf and http://www.astralmining.com/i/pdf/2007-11-13_JJLS.pdf

Table 1: Significant Intervals from Diamond Drill Holes 07JD032-039 on JJ Main Gold Zone

HOLE ID	UTM E**	UTM N**	DIP	AZI (utm)	FROM (m)	TO (m)	WIDTH (m)	Au (g/t)	WIDTH (ft)	Au (opt)*
07JD032	429735.36	5456692.93	-45	315	29	33	4	15.18	13.12	0.443
(including)					29	30	1	56.4	3.28	1.645
07JD033	429735.36	5456692.93	-60	315	32	34	2	3.81	6.56	0.111
					37	38	1	4.83	3.28	0.141
					42	45	3	3.25	9.84	0.095
07JD034	429770.71	5456657.57	-60	315	not	yet	received			
07JD035	429770.71	5456657.57	-50	315	not	yet	received			
07JD036	429798.99	5456629.29	-60	315	145.91	151.25	5.34	1.48	17.52	0.043
07JD037	429883.44	5456743.84	-45	315	26	28	2	2.55	6.56	0.074
07JD038	429783.44	5456743.84	-60	315	32	36	4	3.85	13.12	0.112
(including)					35	36	1	8.16	3.28	0.238
07JD039	429807.48	5456719.80	-50	315	76	80	4	7.48	13.12	0.218
(including)					77	79	1	26.7	3.28	0.779

* **troy ounce per short ton**

** **Hole collar locations converted from local grid - located by tape, compass and hand held 12 channel gps.- Accurate surveys awaited**

Technical Summary

Phase II drill program of 38 drill holes for approximately 5,050m (nearing completion) in ten fences tests the gold-bearing quartz stockwork zone over a strike length of 700m and to a vertical depth in excess of 200m. This work builds on Phase I drilling which comprised 1,431m in 20 holes along 5 fences, testing the gold-bearing quartz stockwork zone over a strike length of 180m and to a vertical depth of up to 100m.

The stockwork zone is characterized by silicified and sericitized quartz monzonite hosting a distinct zone of multi-phase stockwork veining and breccia zones controlled by a northeast-striking structure. Observed sulphide mineralization includes pyrite, arsenopyrite, galena, sphalerite and molybdenite. Visible gold has been observed in several holes. Aeromagnetic surveys, geological mapping and geochemistry completed to date suggest that this structure may extend for over three kilometres.

All drill core samples reported in this release were collected from HQ core halved by diamond saw. All analytical results contained in this release are from 1,000g samples analyzed using the Au by Screen Fire method by ALS Chemex in North Vancouver B.C. ALS-Chemex is an internationally-recognized analytical service provider. In addition to laboratory standards Astral has included independently-prepared standards into the sample sequence to assure proper quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC).

Exploration work reported in this release was completed under the supervision of Astral's Project Geologist Dale Brittliffe, B.Sc.. Technical information contained in this release has been reviewed by Dr. David A. Terry, P.Geo., Director and Vice President of Exploration for Astral Mining Corporation, and a Qualified Person as defined in National Instrument 43-101.

Astral is earning a 60% interest in the JJ Project from Kootenay (see April 12, 2006 news release).

Astral Mining Corporation, a member of the Grosso Group, is a Canadian-based company engaged in the exploration and development of precious metal properties in North America. By focusing on exploration in mining-friendly districts, the Company minimizes the political and social risks encountered in many other parts of the world. With a new gold discovery at the Company's Jumping Josephine Gold Project in Southern British Columbia currently being drilled for the first time, and an experienced technical team and seasoned management, Astral is poised to leverage this expertise into early exploration success. Further details on Astral Mining Corporation and its high-quality portfolio of exploration projects can be found at www.astralmining.com.

Kootenay is an emerging exploration Company actively developing a suite of premier gold and silver projects in British Columbia, Canada and Mexico. The Company's top priority remains the ongoing aggressive development of its rich Promontorio Silver project, which encompasses the former producing Promontorio Silver Mine in Northwest Mexico. Supported by an experienced and accomplished technical team, over the past four years Kootenay has substantially grown its mineral asset base through key acquisitions, while successfully achieving four new mineral discoveries in the Rossland Republic Gold Trend of British Columbia. Further information can be found at: www.kootenaygold.ca

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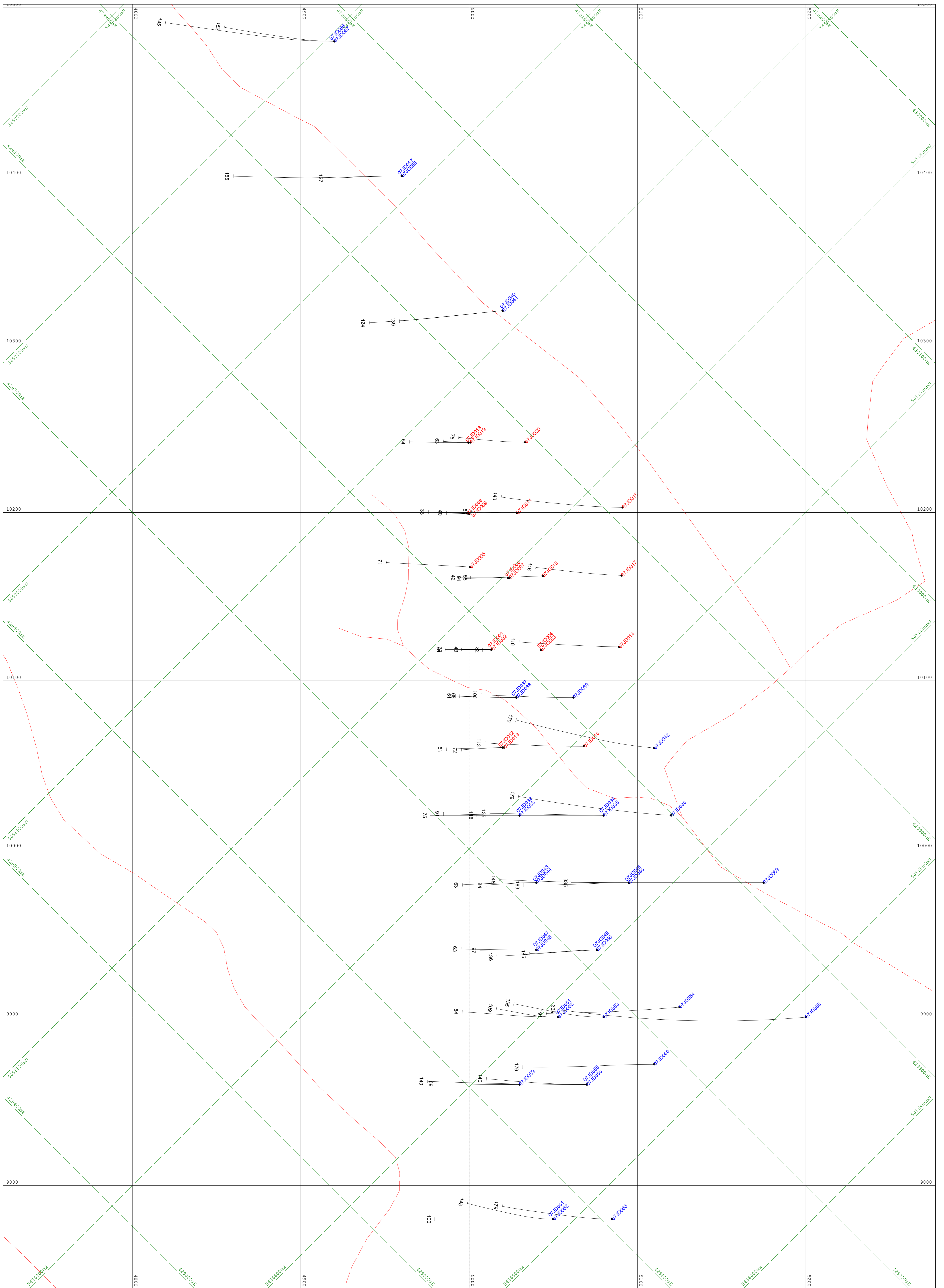
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Legend
 ● Drillhole collar
 ● Phase I Drillhole
 ● Phase II Drillhole
 - - - Access track

Grid Co-ordinates
 Local Grid
 UTM Grid

Scale 1:1000
 DATE 13/Nov/07
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Jumping Josephine
 Drill Plan
 November 13 2007

LOCAL GRID
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